

News Release

LEE COUNTY TRUCKING COMPANY OWNER CHARGED WITH FRAUD Application to workers' comp insurance carrier omitted logging operations

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Sept. 13, 2005) – The owner of a trucking company in Lee County has been fined \$10,000 and ordered to pay over \$43,000 in restitution for submitting false information to the company's workers' compensation insurance carrier.

Gary W. King, owner of Gary King Trucking at Zoe, pleaded guilty last week in Lee Circuit Court to one count of insurance fraud. King admitted giving false information to Kentucky Employers' Mutual Insurance Company (KEMI) by omitting details about his logging operations when applying for workers' compensation insurance.

King has paid \$43,412 in restitution to KEMI and will be required to pay a \$10,000 fine to the Kentucky Office of Insurance's (KOI) Fraud Investigation division at sentencing on Nov. 8.

The investigation was a joint effort of KOI, KEMI and the Lee County commonwealth's attorney.

KOI is an agency of the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet.